# Service of Worship

+Please stand where indicated if it is comfortable for you.

All are welcome in this place of worship.

As you are seated, please silence your cell phones.

The congregation will speak the liturgy in bold print.

# Sathering

**PRELUDE** We Declare Your Majesty

Malcom du Plessis, arr. Mark Haves

Silence is kept during the prelude to prepare our hearts for worship

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

Linden Hustedt

#### CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

#### **+CALL TO WORSHIP**

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

#### **+PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

The Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams

Minister:

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved with our whole heart. We have failed to be an abedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Minister:

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God. Amen

+THE GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to God, Creator

#### **OPENING PRAYER**

We bless your holy name, O God, for all your servants who, having finished their course, now rest from their labors. Give us grace to follow the example of their steadfastness and faithfulness, to your honor and glory; through Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.** 

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Kathy Peters Coordinator of Family Ministries

# Proclamation

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (In unison)

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today.

Amen.

#### **NEW TESTAMENT LESSON**

Revelation 7: 9-17
The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

#### **GOSPEL LESSON**

Matthew 5: 1-12
The Word of God for the people of God **Thanks be to God** 

**HOMILY** How Can I Keep from Singing?

The Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams

# Response

**CONCERNS AND PRAYERS** 

**HYMN OF ADORATION** 

Spirit Song

Philip Eyrich

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Thanksgiving and Communion

The United Methodist Church has an open communion.

All are invited to partake despite denomination or religious affiliation.

#### **COMMUNION MEDITATION**

I Can Only Imagine

Philip Eyrich arr. Bart Millard

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Minister continues...

Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Minister continues...

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

The Minister continues...

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.** 

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP
POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Sending Forth

**+BENEDICTION** Numbers 6:24-26

The Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams

**+POSTLUDE** Come, Let Us Join Our Friends Above Traditional English Melody

Today's altar flowers are given by
Carlo and Becca deRosa in honor of their
wedding anniversary.

Thank you for your ongoing investment in the life and ministry of Lighthouse United Methodist Church of Boca Grande.

An offering basket is located at the entrance. of the Sanctuary.

# **CONNECT CARD**



#### WELCOME! We'd like

to help you get connected. Please fill out this card & place it on the offering plate.

Let us know how we can reach out to you!

Name
Address
City
Zip Phone
Email
How long have you attended LH Church
1st time guest 2nd time gues
guest from out of town
regular attendee member
I am interested in:
Having the Pastor Contact Me
Youth and Families
Small Groups
Missions
United Methodist Women
Men's Prayer Group
Strawberry Festival Volunteer
Stephen Ministry
Greeting and Ushering
Communion Stewardship
Fellowship Hour Hospitality
Singing in the Choir
Membership
Wichibership

#### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

In everything by prayer...
Let your requests be made known unto God.

Philippians 4:6

Please write your request here and place it in the offering plate or hand it to an usher.

Please pray for

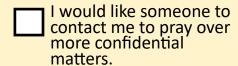
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PRAYER REQUESTS ARE HONORED UNTIL NOTIFICATION IS RECEIVED OTHERWISE. PLEASE KEEP US UPDATED AT 941-964-2479





We are honored that you are here! If you are a first time guest, please pick up a gift mug as a token of our gratitude for your presence here today. All are welcome into the congregational life, ministry, and membership of Lighthouse United Methodist Church. For information on baptism and membership, please contact us at info@balighthouseumc.com

#### Forward in Faith Office Building Renovation

Siding is currently being added to the building. Please stop by on Saturday, November 7, at 4 pm, or Sunday, November 8, after church, to write your favorite bible verse on an interior wall stud.

# 3rd Annual Welcome Back Bluegrass Sunday and Veteran's Day Presentation Swinging Bridge Band November 8, 2020 at 8:30 AM and 10 AM

- Maximum of 60 attendees per service, to accommodate social distancing.
- RSVP at (941)964-2479, info@bglighthouseumc.com or complete the form in the weekly newsletter.
- First-come-first-serve basis.
- In accordance with guidelines, there will be no congregational singing.
- Suggested donation for the band is \$20 per person.

#### **Sanctuary Flowers**

To beautify the Sanctuary, you are invited to place flowers in the chancel for Sunday Services. The total for two arrangements is \$75.00. To place flowers in honor or memory of a loved one, please see the form in the weekly newsletter or contact the office at info@bglighthouseumc.com.

#### Weddings, Memorial Services, Columbarium

The Sanctuary is available for services of matrimony, funerals, and memorial services. For more information regarding facility use or columbarium inurnment, please visit <a href="www.bglighthouseumc.com">www.bglighthouseumc.com</a> or contact the church office at <a href="info@bglighthouseumc.com">info@bglighthouseumc.com</a>.

# Shoebox Gifts for Kids' Needs of Englewood

This year, Lighthouse Church will be filling shoe boxes with gifts for Kids' Needs of Englewood. Please take a box or two on leaving the church. Boxes will be distributed for Christmas in early December. Contact Jean Steinman or Becca deRosa for more information.

### **Trustees Meeting**

The Board of Trustees will meet Tuesday, November 17, at 2:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall.



**Usher:** Don Farren **Liturgist:** Candy Rost



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#### A Stephen Ministry Congregation



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Gabriela Crespo, Nursery Attendant

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INVESTMENT!
Prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness
Our gifts as of October 26, 2020

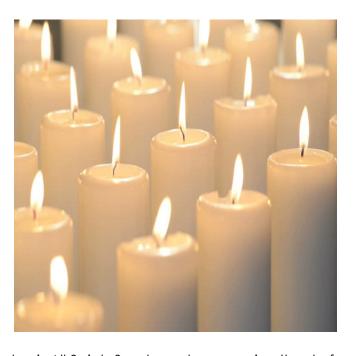
OPERATING BUDGET...... .\$643,000.00 OFFERING. .\$465,922.00 **OUR COLLECTIVE GIVING** YEAR-TO-DATE TO LOCAL AND GLOBAL MISSIONS.... Coming from: **DIRECT SPONSORED MISSION** GIVING FROM THE CHURCH BUDGET.. (19% OF CHURCH SPENDING TO DATE) Plus: UMW STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL SPONSORED MISSIONS. .\$70,000.00 Plus: DIRECT INDIVIDUALCONGREGATIONAL PASS-THROUGHS TO OUR MISSIONS.. .\$165,041.00



November 1, 2020

**All Saints Sunday** 

Receiving the Light, Being the Light, Sharing the Light of Jesus Christ



Today is All Saints Sunday, when we give thanks for the worldwide communion of our brothers and sisters in Christ, in past, present, and future ages. In John's Gospel, Jesus has compassion on Mary's weeping and weeps himself before the raising of Lazarus from the dead. In Revelation, we are given astonishing insight into the joy of Jesus' final Kingdom, where death, mourning, crying, and pain will be no more. Jesus is revealed to be the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and end of all creation. He invites us to join him in the heavenly banquet with the family of God, by placing our faith in him.